

REMEDICATION AND REDEVELOPMENT (RR) NEWS FROM WISCONSIN DNR  
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NEW REGISTRY OF WASTE DISPOSAL SITES

The RR program has just published an update to the "Registry of Waste Disposal Sites In Wisconsin", which now includes 4,298 sites. Sites on this registry are not always sites with environmental problems. DNR began the registry in 1984 by conducting a search for abandoned waste disposal sites. Sites in the registry were identified from landfill lists, one-time demolition disposal permits, DNR staff and the public. DNR actually maintains three separate lists of waste disposal sites in Wisconsin: the "Registry of Waste Disposal Sites In Wisconsin" (1999), the "Wisconsin Remedial Response Site Evaluation Report" (WRRSER, 1991) and the "Hazard Ranking List" (1994). These lists result from a mandate by the Legislature to identify and screen sites according to their environmental and human health significance. The 5,639 sites in WRRSER are "high potential" sites for environmental problems based on the screening and ranking criteria in ch. NR 710. Sites in WRRSER are drawn from the registry, plus CERCLIS and the LUST and Spills lists. The "Hazard Ranking List" is a smaller list of sites with a numeric score over 15, based on ch. NR 710. One hundred and eighteen sites on the Hazard Ranking list pose a "substantial danger" to the public or the environment and are eligible for state clean-up funds if the responsible parties or federal funds are not available. The "Registry" is available on the web at

<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/archives/pubs/RR108.pdf>

Hard copies can be ordered by sending \$6.00 in a check made out to Wisconsin DNR and a request for the "Registry" to: Bureau for Remediation and Redevelopment, Attn: Public Document Request, DNR, PO Box 7921, Madison, WI 53707. Copies of the WRRSER list (\$9.00) and the Hazard Ranking List (\$14.00) may also be ordered from this address.

UPDATED RR STAFF CONTACTS

An updated list of staff to contact on specific topics in the RR program has been placed on our web site at <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/technical/lists/RRContacts.pdf>. It's an alphabetical listing of RR subject items, such as "abandoned containers" and "brownfields financial resources", with the appropriate staff to contact regarding general questions in that subject area. As always, contact the regional project manager for any site-specific questions.

1999 "CONSULTANT DAYS"

It's not just for consultants, but that has been the traditional name. The RR program has teamed with FET and a number of organizational endorsers to set up informational sessions called "Contaminated Site Closure Under NR 700, Regulatory Update". FET will announce registration information shortly. Two sessions are planned, December 1 in Milwaukee and December 9 in Eau Claire.

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